Reyes Richardson Rodriguez Ros-Lehtinen Ross Rothman (NJ) Roybal-Allard Ruppersberger Rush Ryan (OH) Salazar Sánchez, Linda T.

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Sanchez, Loretta
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Schiff
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Schwartz
Scott (GA)

Aderholt

Scott (VA) Serrano Sestak Shea-Porter Sherman Shuler Sires Skelton Slaughter Smith (WA) Snyder Space Speier Spratt Sutton Tanner Tauscher Thompson (CA)

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Mica

Miller (FL)

Miller (MI)

Moran (KS)

Neugebauer

Myrick

Nunes

Olson

Paul

Paulsen

Pence

Petri

Pitts

Platts

Posev

Poe (TX)

Putnam

Rehberg

Reichert

Roe (TN)

Rogers (AL)

Rogers (KY)

Rogers (MI)

Rooney

Roskam

Ryan (WI)

Sensenbrenner

Royce

Scalise

Schock

Schmidt

Sessions

Shadegg

Shimkus

Shuster

Simpson

Smith (NF)

Smith (NJ)

Smith (TX)

Souder

Stearns

Stupak

Taylor

Teague

Thompson (PA)

Westmoreland

Thornberry

Terry

Tiberi

Unton

Walden

Wamp

Whitfield

Wittman

Wolf

Wilson (SC)

Young (AK)

Young (FL)

Sullivan

Rohrabacher

Price (GA)

Radanovich

Murphy, Tim

#### NAYS-191

Franks (AZ)

Garrett (NJ)

Gingrey (GA)

Gordon (TN)

Gallegly

Gerlach

Gohmert

Granger

Graves

Griffith

Harper

Heller

Herger

Holden

Hunter

Jenkins

Johnson (IL)

Johnson, Sam

Jordan (OH)

King (IA)

King (NY)

Kingston

Kline (MN)

Kratovil

Lamborn

Latham

Lee (NY)

Lewis (CA)

LoBiondo

Lummis

E.

Mack

Massa

Manzullo

Marchant

Matheson

McClintock

McCotter

McHenry

McKeon

McMorris

Rodgers

McCaul

Markey (CO)

McCarthy (CA)

Luetkemeyer

Lungren, Daniel

LaTourette

Lance

Latta

Linder

Inglis

Issa.

Kind

Kirk

Kissell

Hoekstra

Hill

Hensarling

Guthrie Hall (TX)

Hastings (WA)

Goodlatte

Frelinghuysen

Thompson (MS)

Titus

Akin Alexander Arcuri Austria Bachmann Bachus Barrett (SC) Bartlett Barton (TX) Berry Biggert Bilbray Bilirakis Bishop (UT) Blackburn Blunt Boehner Bonner Bono Mack Boozman Boren Boucher Boustany Brady (TX) Bright Broun (GA) Brown (SC) Brown-Waite, Ginny Buchanan Burgess Burton (IN) Buver Calvert Camp Campbell Cantor Capito Carney Carter Cassidy Chaffetz Childers Coble Cole Conaway Crenshaw Culberson Dahlkemper Davis (KY) Davis (TN) Deal (GA) Dent Dreier Duncan Edwards (TX) Ellsworth

## NOT VOTING-7

Cao Melancon Coffman (CO) Miller, G Ehlers Perriello

Emerson

Fallin

Flake

Fleming

Fortenberry

Forbes

Foxx

Melancon Stark Miller, Gary

#### □ 1817

So the bill was passed. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded. A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 104, had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

# RAISING A QUESTION OF THE PRIVILEGES OF THE HOUSE

Mr. FLAKE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a question of the privileges of the House previously noticed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the resolution.

The Clerk read as follows:

#### H. RES. 212

Whereas The Hill reported on February 10, 2009, that "a top defense-lobbying firm" that "specializes in obtaining earmarks in the defense budget for a long list of clients" was "recently raided by the FBI.":

Whereas Roll Call reported on February 11, 2009, that "the defense-appropriations-focused lobbying shop" had in recent years "spread million of dollars of campaign contributions to lawmakers.";

Whereas Politico reported on February 13, 2009, that "federal investigators are asking about thousands of dollars in campaign contributions to lawmakers as part of an effort to determine whether they were illegal 'straw man' donations.";

Whereas Roll Call reported on February 20, 2009, that they have "located tens of thousands of dollars worth of [the raided firm]-linked donations that are improperly reported in the FEC database.";

Whereas Roll Call also reported that "tracking Federal Election Commission records of campaign donations attributed to [the firm] is a comedy of errors, misinformation and mysteries, providing more questions than answers about how much money the lobbying firm actually raised for Congressional campaigns.":

Whereas CQ Today reported on February 19, 2009, that "104 House members got earmarks for projects sought by [clients of the firm] in the 2008 defense appropriations bills," and that 87 percent of this bipartisan group of Members received campaign contributions from the raided firm;

Whereas The Hill reported on February 10, 2009, that in 2008 clients of this firm had "received \$299 million worth of earmarks, according to Taxpayers for Common Sense.":

Whereas The Hill reported on February 23, 2009, that "clients of a defense lobby shop under investigation are continuing to score earmarks from their patrons in Congress, despite the firm being on the verge of shutting its doors permanently" and that several of the firm's clients "are slated to receive earmarks worth at least \$8 million in the omnibus spending bill funding the federal government through the rest of fiscal 2009...":

Whereas the Washington Post reported on June 13, 2008, in a story describing increased earmark spending in the House version of the fiscal year 2009 defense authorization bill that "many of the earmarks serve as no-bid contracts for the recipients.";

Whereas the Associated Press reported on February 25, 2009, that "the Justice Department's fraud section is overseeing an investigation into whether [the firm] reimbursed some employees for campaign contributions to members of Congress who requested the projects.":

Whereas Politico reported on February 12, 2009, that "several sources said FBI agents have spent months laying the groundwork for their current investigation, including conducting research on earmarks and campaign contributions.";

Whereas the reportedly fraudulent nature of campaign contributions originating from the raided firm, as well as reports of the Justice Department conducting research on earmarks and campaign contributions, raise concern about the integrity of congressional proceedings and the dignity of the institution; and

Whereas the fact that cases are being investigated by the Justice Department does not preclude the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct from taking investigative steps: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That (a) the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, or an investigative subcommittee of the committee established jointly by the chair and ranking minority member shall immediately begin an investigation into the relationship between earmark requests on behalf of clients of the raided firm already made by Members and the source and timing of past campaign contributions related to such requests.

(b) The Committee on Standards of Official Conduct shall submit a report of its findings to the House of Representatives within 2 months after the date of adoption of this resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The resolution qualifies.

#### MOTION TO TABLE

Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I move to lay the resolution on the table.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

#### RECORDED VOTE

Mr. FLAKE. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, this 15-minute vote on the motion to table will be followed by a 5-minute vote on the motion to suspend the rules on House Resolution 153, if ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 222, noes 181, answered "present" 14, not voting 14, as follows:

### [Roll No. 105] AYES—222

Abercrombie Cohen GonzalezGordon (TN) Connolly (VA) Adler (NJ) Altmire Conyers Grayson Andrews Cooper Green, Al Costa Arcuri Green, Gene Costello Griffith Baca Baird Courtney Grijalva Baldwin Crowley Gutierrez Barrow Cuellar  $_{
m Hare}$ Becerra. Cummings Harman Hastings (FL) Berklev Dahlkemper Berman Davis (CA) Heinrich Herseth Sandlin Berry Davis (IL) Bishop (GA) Davis (TN) Higgins Bishop (NY) DeFazio Blumenauer DeGette Hinchey Boren Delahunt Hinojosa Boswell DeLauro Hirono Boucher Dicks Holden Dingell Holt Boyd Brady (PA) Doggett Honda Braley (IA) Dovle Hover Brown, Corrine Driehaus Inslee Capps Edwards (MD) Israel Jackson (IL) Capuano Edwards (TX) Jackson-Lee Cardoza Ellison (TX) Johnson (GA) Carnahan Engel Carney Eshoo Carson (IN) Etheridge Johnson, E. B. Childers Farr Fattah Jones Clarke Kagen Filner Clav Kaptur Cleaver Frank (MA) Kildee Kilpatrick (MI) Clyburn Fudge

Kilroy Klein (FL) Scott (VA) Napolitano Neal (MA) Serrano Kratovil Sestak Kucinich Oberstar Shea-Porter Langevin Obev Sherman Larsen (WA) Olver Shuler Larson (CT) Ortiz Sires Skelton Lee (CA) Pallone Levin Pascrell Slaughter Lewis (GA) Pastor (AZ) Smith (WA) Lipinski Payne Snyder Lowey Perlmutter Space Luián Peters Speier Peterson Spratt Lynch Maffei Pingree (ME) Stupak Malonev Polis (CO) Sutton Markey (CO) Pomeroy Tanner Markey (MA) Price (NC) Tauscher Marshall Rahall Tavlor Rangel Thompson (CA) Matheson Reyes Thompson (MS) Richardson Matsui Tiernev McCarthy (NY) Rodriguez McCollum Rohrabacher Tonko McDermott Ross Towns McGovern Rothman (NJ) Tsongas McIntyre Roybal-Allard Van Hollen Ruppersberger McMahon Velázquez Meek (FL) Wasserman Rush Rvan (OH) Meeks (NY) Schultz Waters Michaud Salazar Miller (NC) Sánchez, Linda Watson Miller, George T. Watt Sanchez, Loretta Mollohan Waxman Moore (KS) Sarbanes Weiner Moore (WI) Schakowsky Wexler Wilson (OH) Murphy (CT) Schauer Woolsey Murphy, Patrick Schiff Schrader Murphy, Tim Wu Murtha Yarmuth Schwartz Nadler (NY) Scott (GA) Young (AK)

NOES-181 Aderholt Foster McCaul McClintock Akin Foxx Alexander Franks (AZ) McCotter Austria Frelinghuysen McHenry Bachmann Gallegly McHugh Garrett (NJ) Bachus McKeon McMorris Bartlett Gerlach Barton (TX) Giffords Rodgers Gingrey (GA) Bean McNernev Biggert Gohmert Mica Goodlatte Miller (FL) **Bilirakis** Granger Miller (MI) Bishop (UT) Graves Minnick Blackburn Guthrie Mitchell Blunt. Hall (TX) Moran (KS) Boccieri Halvorson Neugebauer Boehner Harper Nunes Bono Mack Heller Olson Hensarling Boozman Paul Boustany Herger Paulsen Brady (TX) Himes Pence Bright Hodes Petri Pitts Broun (GA) Hoekstra Brown (SC) Hunter Platts Brown-Waite, Inglis Poe (TX) Posey Price (GA) Ginny Issa Jenkins Buchanan Johnson (IL) Burgess Putnam Burton (IN) Johnson, Sam Radanovich Jordan (OH) Rehberg Buver Camp Kind Reichert King (IA) Campbell Roe (TN) King (NY) Rogers (AL) Cantor Capito Kingston Rogers (KY) Carter Kirk Rogers (MI) Kirkpatrick (AZ) Rooney Cassidy Castle Kissell Ros-Lehtinen Chaffetz Kosmas Roskam Lamborn Coble Royce Ryan (WI) Cole Lance Crenshaw LaTourette Scalise Schmidt Culberson Latta Davis (KY) Lee (NY) Schock Lewis (CA) Sensenbrenner Deal (GA) Diaz-Balart, L. Linder Sessions Diaz-Balart, M. LoBiondo Shadegg Donnelly (IN) Loebsack Shimkus Dreier Lucas Shuster Duncan Luetkemeyer Simpson Smith (NE) Ellsworth Lummis Emerson Lungren, Daniel Smith (NJ) Fallin Smith (TX) E. Mack Flake Souder Fleming Manzullo Stearns Forbes Marchant Sullivan

McCarthy (CA)

Teague

Fortenberry

Terry Upton Wilson (SC)
Thompson (PA) Visclosky Wittman
Thornberry Walz Wolf
Tiahrt Wamp Young (FL)
Tiberi Westmoreland
Turner Whitfield

#### ANSWERED "PRESENT"-14

Barrett (SC) Conaway Lofgren, Zoe Bonner Dent Myrick Butterfield Hastings (WA) Walden Castor (FL) Kline (MN) Welch Chandler Latham

#### NOT VOTING-14

 Ackerman
 Ehlers
 Miller, Gary

 Calvert
 Hall (NY)
 Moran (VA)

 Cao
 Kanjorski
 Perriello

 Coffman (CO)
 Kennedy
 Stark

 Davis (AL)
 Melancon

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). There are less than 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

#### □ 1840

Messrs. MITCHELL, MCNERNEY, and KISSELL changed their vote from "aye" to "no."

Mr. WELCH changed his vote from "aye" to "present."

Mr. LATHAM changed his vote from "no" to "present."

So the motion was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

(Mr. HOYER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, ladies and gentlemen of the House, as you know, the continuing resolution expires at midnight tomorrow. As you also know, the other body is still in the process of considering the omnibus appropriation that we sent to them some days ago.

They are currently in the process of voting on five amendments. That will take probably another half hour. At the conclusion of that, they will be discussing whether or not they can get to two more votes to conclude their consideration of the omnibus appropriation.

There have been no amendments adopted in the Senate to the omnibus appropriation. As a result, if there are no amendments adopted and the Senate can come to a vote sometime this evening and that is assured, then it will not be necessary for us to return tomorrow. But I cannot tell you at this point in time. I'm hopeful that by 8:30 I will be able to give you a pretty definitive word on whether or not we will need to be here tomorrow.

So I wanted to bring you up to date. We will try to have it, as I say, by 8:30. If we get it earlier, we will give you that notice earlier. But I'm hopeful that by 8:30 we will be able to inform you.

We have one more vote now; but, again, if they proceed, as has been the case, and they can get an agreement on voting tonight, then it would not be necessary for us to be here tomorrow.

If not, obviously we will have to be here tomorrow to assure that we do not shut down the government.

# ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, 5-minute voting will continue.

There was no objection.

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The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question on suspending the rules and agreeing to the resolution, H. Res. 153.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Colorado (Mr. POLIS) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 153.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

#### RECORDED VOTE

Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 362, noes 15, answered "present" 4, not voting 50, as follows:

### [Roll No. 106] AYES—362

Brown, Corrine Abercrombie DeFazio Delahunt Aderholt Buchanan Adler (NJ) Burton (IN) DeLauro Akin Butterfield Dent. Diaz-Balart, L. Andrews Camp Arcuri Campbell Diaz-Balart, M. Austria. Cantor Dingell Baca Capito Doggett Bachmann Capps Dreier Bachus Capuano Driehaus Baldwin Cardoza Duncan Carnahan Edwards (MD) Barrow Carson (IN) Bartlett. Ellison Barton (TX) Carter Ellsworth Bean Castle Emerson Castor (FL) Becerra Engel Berkley Chaffetz Eshoo Berman Chandler Etheridge Biggert Childers Fallin Bilbray Clarke Farr Bilirakis Clay Fattah Bishop (GA) Cleaver Filner Bishop (NY) Clyburn Flake Bishop (UT) Coble Fleming Cohen Blackburn Forbes Fortenberry Blumenauer Cole Blunt Conaway Foster Connolly (VA) Foxx Bonner Bono Mack Cooper Frank (MA) Boozman Costa Franks (AZ) Boren Costello Frelinghuysen Fudge Garrett (NJ) Courtney Boswell Boucher Crenshaw Boustany Gerlach Crowley Cuellar Giffords Boyd Brady (PA) Culberson Gingrey (GA) Brady (TX) Cummings Gonzalez Braley (IA) Davis (IL) Goodlatte Gordon (TN) Bright Davis (KY) Broun (GA) Davis (TN) Granger Brown (SC) Deal (GA) Graves